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To: All Interested Parties

Subject: Impending Release Announcement for Request for Proposal (RFP) for the American Indian

Child Abuse Treatment (CHAT) Program

The Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES) is pleased to announce the impending release of the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the American Indian Child Abuse Treatment (AICHAT) Program. Only American Indian Tribes/or organizations located on a reservation, or a consortium of tribes, or urban American Indian agencies are eligible to apply.

It is anticipated the AICHAT Program RFP will be ready for distribution to interested parties approximately on March 2, 2007. An estimated \$500,000 will be available for the AICHAT Program provided through the Federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funds to fund approximately four agencies each receiving \$125,000. The funding cycle for this program is a two-year cycle beginning October 1, 2007, and ending September 30, 2009. Each grant award period will be for one year. At the conclusion of the two-year funding cycle, there is no guarantee additional federal VOCA funds will be available.

The AICHAT Program is intended to fund American Indian Tribes or organizations providing culturally centered child abuse treatment services by incorporating traditional therapeutic services and/or American Indian focused cultural treatment services. Services are to be provided to American Indian child victims to include but not limited to child victims of physical and sexual abuse, neglect, domestic violence, and abduction.

Should you be interested in submitting an application for the AICHAT Program, it will be available approximately on March 2, 2007 on our OES Website at: www.oes.ca.gov, Law Enforcement and Victim Services Division (mid-page, right side); RFP Funding Information; American Indian Child Abuse Treatment Program Request for Proposal. You may also request the RFP via email to Roseann St. Clair at: roseann.stclair@oes.ca.gov, or you may also request it by writing to Roseann St. Clair, Senior Program Specialist, Governor's Office of Emergency Services, Children's Section, 3650 Schriever Avenue, Mather, California 95655.

Should you need additional information prior to the application being made available, please email Roseann with your request. Should you need to contact someone directly, please telephone Gillsa Miller, Chief, Children's Section at (916) 322-1902.

Sincerely,

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